

# The Eyrie

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Dear Families,

I hope 2024 has started out strong for you and your family. January usually feels like such a long month, but not so much this year. Let's hope February follows the same pattern!

Currently, staff are finishing up assessments and preparing First Term Report Cards. Students will take those home next month. Please be in touch with your child's teacher if you continue to have concerns about their progress. A strong partnership between home and school is key.

As we gear up for another busy month at Greensville, I wish our Hawk Families well and look forward to seeing you out and about the school community.

In Service,

Ms. J. Miscas

## Parking Lot

We've had some recent complaints of patrons double parking, leaving their vehicle while it idles, using unmarked spots to park and allowing children to exit into oncoming traffic. It is no surprise that our parking situation is inadequate; however, we must all work together to ensure the utmost of safety for those using the lot. Please adhere to the signage and slow down when driving through. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.

## Chocolate Fundraiser

Jan. 24 – Feb. 15 ☺



## Upcoming Events

### February 1

Black History Month Begins

### February 5

Kindergarten 2024/25 Registration Begins

### February 8 & 22

Pizza Day

### February 12

School Council Meeting 6:30-7:30 PM

### February 13

Safe Schools Shelter In Place Drill

### February 15

Chocolate Fundraiser Ends

### February 16

T1 Report Cards Go Home

### February 20

Dental Screening: JK, SK, and Grade 2

### February 23

Grade 8 Commencement Photos

Just a reminder, *The Eyrie*, is a monthly newsletter with updates about recent and upcoming school items/events. Each edition is posted to our school website at the end of each month. If you haven't already subscribed to our page, please do so.

<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/greensville>

## Café Tables

We were able to purchase 2 café tables for our library with some of the leftover funds raised by School Council last year. Mrs. Kolios worked with our vendor before the winter break to order pieces that matched with our existing furniture. I think she did a great job! And apparently, so do our students.



## Dental Screening

Students in JK, SK and Grade 2 (Two) will be screened by dental practitioners, Tues. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>. The screening will take place at Greenville between 9:00-1:00 pm. This is a free (and voluntary) service offered to families by Hamilton Public Health. More information will be provided to participating families, early next month.

## New Superintendent for Family of Schools 5 (FOS5)

Recently, I shared the news of Superintendent Jane Macpherson's retirement, January 11, 2024. Hiring efforts are underway; however, in the interim, retired Superintendent Angela Mercier from Waterloo District School Board, will be in the role. We anticipate having a permanent hire in place by March. I will be sure to share that information with our community once I hear.

## Base Ten Blocks

In December, I was gifted a set of Base Ten Blocks and asked to engage students in a learning activity of my choice. Last week, I worked with some grade  $\frac{3}{4}$  students and



had so much fun listening to them problem solve, wonder and inquire about the different ways we used the blocks. It was great to do some teaching again and take students through a few place value and mental math exercises. Way to go Amelia, Payton, Tavin and Cohen! Afterwards, I re-gifted the blocks to our Math Lead on staff, Ms. Kosempel.

